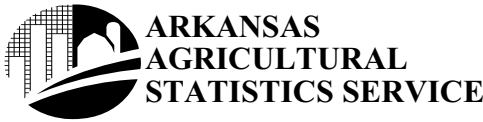


ARKANSAS
WEATHER AND CROP PROGRESS



August 9, 2004

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REPORTING FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 8 OF THE 2004 CROP YEAR

RELEASED: August 9 2004, 3PM - There were 6 days suitable for field work. Soil moisture supplies were 2% very short, 37% short, 59% adequate, and 2% surplus. Scattered showers were seen across the state and record lows were recorded at several reporting stations.

CROPS: Corn producers are beginning harvest on an overall good corn crop. Producers are observing an increase in worms and insects in soybeans. Sorghum is drying down and reporters expect harvest to begin in the next two weeks. Cotton is being irrigated, as well as, being sprayed for spider mites and plant bugs. Rice fields are receiving fungicides and a few are beginning to be drained in preparation for harvest.

LIVESTOCK: Livestock are in good condition. Army worms are being treated in some hay fields and pastures.

Progress %					Condition %				
CROP Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
CORN					0	1	21	56	22
Doughed	94	85	97	76					
Dented	82	54	80	57					
Matured	44	21	19	8					
Harvested ¹	3	1	N/A	N/A					
SOYBEANS					3	5	24	46	22
Bloomed	92	84	81	83					
Setting Pods	81	64	58	56					
Yellowing ¹	12	4	N/A	N/A					
SORGHUM					0	2	32	52	14
Headed	97	96	97	96					
Colored	77	62	74	67					
Mature ¹	26	N/A	N/A	N/A					
COTTON					0	5	27	45	23
Setting Bolls	100	89	96	99					
Open Bolls ¹	1	N/A	1	3					
RICE					1	2	23	50	24
Headed	75	51	77	73					
HAY - OTHER					1	4	27	56	12
HAY-ALFALFA					0	4	32	62	2
PASTURE & RANGE					0	5	26	59	10

¹ Was not asked previous week or previous year

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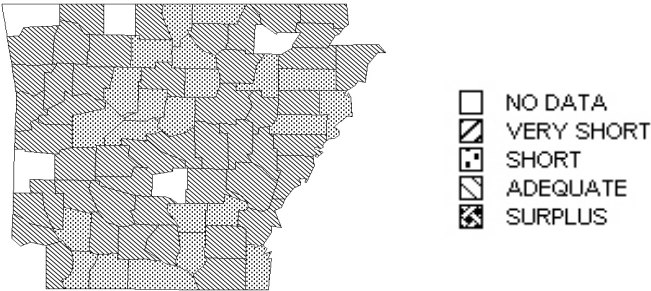
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SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK ENDING:

August 8, 2004. Temperatures were below normal. Scattered rainfall around the state. North Little Rock recorded the high temperature of 99^o and Calico Rock recorded the low temperature of 52^o. Precipitation ranged from a high of 2.08 inches at Jonesboro to 0.00 inches at several reporting stations.



TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION WEEK ENDING: August 8, 2004

DISTRICT AND STATION	TEMPERATURES			RAINFALL				
	HIGH	LOW	DEP FROM NORM	WEEK ENDING AUG 8	CURR AUG ACCUM.	AUG NORMAL	JAN-JUL	
							2004	NORMAL
1 Fayetteville	90	53	-5	0.01	0.01	3.00	34.06	26.51
Harrison	92	53	-5	0.28	0.28	3.41	25.06	25.67
2 Calico Rock	96	52	-5	0.00	0.00	2.93	25.63	26.44
Gilbert	94	53	-5	0.00	0.00	2.81	26.14	25.79
Greers Ferry	95	57	-4	0.00	0.00	2.90	28.76	29.25
Mountain Home	96	57	-4	0.00	0.00	2.59	30.02	25.92
3 Batesville	97	55	-4	0.00	0.00	3.08	32.37	27.37
Jonesboro	94	59	-5	2.08	2.08	2.67	29.43	27.23
Keiser	95	56	-4	0.85	0.85	2.67	32.25	30.43
Newport	96	58	-4	0.00	0.00	2.90	24.07	28.47
4 Booneville	93	61	-4	0.00	0.00	2.34	29.03	28.16
Clarksville	94	60	-3	0.00	0.00	2.58	35.24	26.95
Dardanelle	96	56	-3	0.00	0.00	2.76	24.55	28.42
Ft. Smith	96	61	-4	0.00	0.00	2.56	33.32	25.57
Mena	96	55	-2	0.00	0.00	2.54	32.50	34.20
Ozark	93	59	-5	0.00	0.00	2.52	34.40	26.11
5 Conway	97	59	-4	0.10	0.10	2.67	26.96	28.23
Hot Springs	96	55	-4	0.00	0.00	3.08	31.55	33.86
Little Rock	95	61	-4	0.00	0.00	2.93	30.38	29.60
N Little Rock	99	62	-2	0.00	0.00	2.97	29.40	28.61
6 Brinkley	92	60	-5	0.36	0.36	2.52	29.75	30.56
Marianna	93	57	-6	0.08	0.08	2.73	33.33	32.48
Stuttgart	95	60	-5	0.87	0.87	2.19	37.55	37.55
7 Hope	95	56	-1	0.00	0.00	3.51	33.34	31.43
Texarkana	97	58	-2	0.00	0.00	2.35	29.52	27.59
8 Camden	96	59	-3	0.00	0.00	2.92	39.31	31.80
El Dorado	95	61	-2	0.00	0.00	3.22	43.73	33.67
Warren	92	60	-5	0.00	0.00	3.05	49.03	33.63
9 Eudora	95	63	-2	0.00	0.00	2.88	36.93	35.97
Pine Bluff	94	59	-4	0.00	0.00	3.32	37.91	31.19
Rohwer	92	62	-4	0.14	0.14	2.54	36.32	32.16